Western Maryland, Troop B Frederick Barrack Post 1, Hagerstown Cumberland Barrack Central Maryland, Troop C , Benson Barrack Conowingo Barrack

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DEPARTMENT OF POST-MORTEM EXAMINERS

Maryland Post-Mortem Examiners Commission

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The Department of Post-Mortem Examiners, established in 1939 to replace a decentralized system of local coroners, is directed by a commission composed of a representative of the State Department of Health, the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City, the Superintendent of Maryland State Police, and the Professors of Pathology at The Johns Hopkins University and the University of Maryland. The Department replaced the coroners of Baltimore City by a Chief and two Assistant Medical Examiners, and the county coroners by Deputy Medical Examiners. In 1957 the General Assembly authorized three Assistant Medical Examiners. The Commission appoints all personnel. The medical examiners, in the Department or in the counties, investigate violent and suspicious deaths or deaths unattended by a physician. They must file a report of all deaths investigated with the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. The records of the Department are open for inspection to the family of the deceased and are acceptable in Court as evidence of the facts contained. The county pays the The Department of Post-Mortem Examiners, established in 1939 to able in Court as evidence of the facts contained. The county pays the Deputy Medical Examiners for each death investigated. The State Comptroller pays the salaries of the Chief Medical Examiner, the